

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest: 261-288

Introduction

Like many of the novels, this story moves towards its inevitable and painful conclusion.

Find

MacMurphy's ultimate triumph comes from the men. They are now ready to join the world, for better or for worse. Find three or four paragraphs that show this.

Respond to the following questions in your notebook

1. How does the nurse begin to successfully sway the men?

Is she wrong?

When did MacMurphy start to do stuff for the men?

What is the best answer the men give?

2. What is the Nurse implying about McMurphy?

How does Harding refute it? Is he right?

3. What are the black boys going to do in the tub room?

Is what the black boys do to George therapeutic?

Why does Mack have a "helpless, cornered despair" in his voice?

4. What does the tall guy with the wire say? (Please quote)

This is a version of a very famous quote from the bible. What is the original quote?

What does that make McMurphy?

5. What happens to the Chief during the night?

What does that guy want?

6. What are the conditions if Mack isn't to get shock?

Why can't he take the deal?

How is this similar to Sefelt's problem earlier?

7. Who is Mack quoting from on the table?

How is McMurphy similar to Christ?

What will happen to Mack at the end of the book, following the allusion?

What will happen to the men?

8. After the Words AIR RAID on 284, why does the narration get confused?